

REMARKS

The Applicant does not believe that examination of this response will result in the introduction of new matter into the present application for invention. There are no amendments to the claims, therefore, the claims have not been reproduced. Therefore, the Applicant, respectfully, requests that this response be entered in and that the claims to the present application, kindly, be reconsidered.

The Final Office Action dated June 22, 2006 has been received and considered by the Applicants. Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application for invention. Claims 1-20 are rejected by the June 22, 2006 Final Office Action.

The Final Office Action rejects Claims 1-20 under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,182,116 issued to Namma et al. (hereinafter referred to as Namma et al.) in view U.S. Patent No. 6,281,790 issued to Kimmel et al. (hereinafter referred to as Kimmel et al.).

The Examiner's position is that Namma et al. disclose a remote monitoring system that allows a user to send commands to linked device and receive data from the devices. The Examiner states that while Namma et al. do not disclose a linked interface separate from the internet, Kimmel et al. teach using both wired and wireless LAN embodiments in connecting devices, and that it would have been obvious for a person of ordinary skill in the art to combine the teachings of Namma et al. and Kimmel et al. to create the subject matter defined by the rejected claims.

The Applicant initially points out that Namma et al. do not teach a distributed peer interface network. Namma et al. teach a virtual WWW server that connects via the internet to at least one WWW browser and a plurality of WWW servers (see col. 14, lines 16-22).

A peer-to-peer network, as well known to those of ordinary skill within the art, does not behave as a network of clients or servers. The network taught by Namma et al. is a network of clients or servers and not in any way manner or form a distributed peer interface network. The performance of peer-to-peer networks is much